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PRISM Scheme
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposals under the Promoting Innovations in Individuals, Startups and MSMEs (PRISM) scheme;
(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years and the current year including the areas of focus of these proposals, phase/category-wise;
(c) whether the Government has disbursed any monetary support for the proposals under the scheme; and
(d) if so, the details of the amount so far disbursed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES

(SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY)

(a) Yes, the Government has received proposals under the Promoting Innovations in Individuals, Startups and MSMEs (PRISM) scheme of Department of Scientific & Industrial Research (DSIR). PRISM is a 12th Five Year Plan scheme initiated in May 2013 with the broad objective of supporting individual innovators develop working models, prototypes and/or processes based on their innovative ideas, besides supporting autonomous institutions and societies in developing state-of-the-art technology solutions.

(b) The details of proposals received since the inception of the scheme are as given below:

Number of proposals received 178
Number of proposals recommended by the PRISM Advisory & Screening Committee 57
Number of projects supported 30

The projects supported under PRISM, phase-wise and category-wise, indicating the area of focus, are listed in the Annexure.

(c) Yes, the Government has disbursed monetary support for the proposals under the scheme.

(d) Year-wise financial support provided for the proposals is summarized below:

Category
Funds released year-wise
(Rs lakh)
2013-14 2014-15 2015-16
PRISM
Phase-I Category-I Nil 8.244 1.10
PRISM
Phase-I Category-II Nil 74.0238 44.18

Total Nil 82.2678 45.28

The details of financial support provided for the proposals are as indicated in the Annexure.

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